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----- 1 -----
Date: Mon, 21 Dec 1998 11:30:25 -0800 (PST)
From: Joseph Blow <kawatteru@yahoo.com>
Subject: Question to ADMIN

Hi Mike. I received an rtf from the list and my server won't permit me to download it. Are others having that problem, and if not how do I fix it?

Sorry for the noise,

Rich

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----- 2 -----
Date: Mon, 21 Dec 1998 15:07:40 +0000
From: "Michael J. Davis" <tatsujin@netramp.net>
Subject: Re: CRANE: Question to ADMIN

At 02:28 PM 12/21/98 -0500, you wrote:
>Date: Mon, 21 Dec 1998 11:30:25 -0800 (PST)
>From: Joseph Blow <kawatteru@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Question to ADMIN
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>Hi Mike. I received an rtf from the list and my server
>won't permit me to download it. Are others having
>that problem, and if not how do I fix it?
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An rtf as in Rich Text Format file?

I do not know why you would be sent that. As I add each user,
you get a
message about commands...maybe that is the problem.

Michael

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and kill him."

----Mark Twain

----- 3 -----
Date: Mon, 21 Dec 1998 16:31:33 +0000
From: "Michael J. Davis" <tatsujin@netramp.net>
Subject: ADMIN: New Member Info

First Name: Dale

Last Name: Arnold

City: Lansing

State: Michigan

School Name (if any): Lansing Karate & Self Defense

Total Years in Martial Arts: 6

List of current ranks, styles & instructors:

Nidan, Matsumura Seito Ryu Shorin Ryu

List all White Crane experience you have:

Exposure to Hakusura Katas

What are you looking to gain from this list:

knowledge and insight into the White Crane philosophies and techniques

What do you think you can contribute to the list:

What little knowledge that I have in the arts

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Date: Mon, 21 Dec 1998 16:46:58 +0000

From: "Michael J. Davis" <tatsujin@netramp.net>

Subject: Welcome and a project!

First off, I'd like to welcome all of you that have subscribed
to the list.

so far we have about 24 different folks that have registered
over the

weekend. Not too bad...and seems to be a pretty good mix of
backgrounds as

well.

As a project I would like to kick off for the web page I am working on...

I'd like to set up a comprehensive (or at least as comprehensive as possible) page showing all of the systems that teach white crane kata or forms.

Maybe, for those that have experience, you could list the Chinese or Okinawan name for the system, the English translation for the system, the Chinese/Okinawan names of the forms taught and a translation of the forms taught. Since in Shorin-ryu there is many subsets that teach the same katas, maybe including the name of the head of the system would be good to. How about a brief description of the form? Any other thoughts?

Plus, this might open up some interesting discussions.

Also, for those that joined to be able to ask questions, now would be a good time to fire them off to the rest of the members.

Please let me know what you think should be on the page.

Michael

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Date: Mon, 21 Dec 1998 16:51:00 +0000
From: "Michael J. Davis" <tatsujin@netramp.net>
Subject: A question I have had

I'll toss out a question I have had for a while...

I know in Okinawa (the crane systems I have the most knowledge of...but that is not saying alot), there are lineages as follows:

Kojo
Gokenki
Matsumura

Are there any others?

Sorry this relates so much to the last post on the project, but I am trying to get a feel for what is out there.

Michael

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----- 6 -----
Date: Mon, 21 Dec 1998 17:00:44 +0000
From: "Michael J. Davis" <tatsujin@netramp.net>
Subject: ADMIN: My intro

I just realized that I did not post my bio, so as list admin...let me do so know:

First Name: Michael

Last Name: Davis

City: Knoxville

State: TN

School Name (if any): To-Ri Karate Institute of
Tennessee/Tatsunote Shibu Dojo

Total Years in Martial Arts: 23

List of current ranks, styles & instructors:

Yondan, Aiki Budo

Sandan, Okinawan Kempo

Sandan, Torite-jutsu

Nidan, in Shotokan (the old Karate Association of Hawaii)

Shodan, Tae Kwon Do (Chung Do Kwan)

Shodan, Tang Soo Do

I have also trained in Chen Taijiquan, Modern Arnis, Okinawan
Goju-ryu, and
Xingyiquan

List all White Crane experience you have:

Very little...learning Matsumura Hakatsuru right now and will
being

training under Sensei Luis Morales of NY in January.

What are you looking to gain from this list:

To learn more about the history and applications of all Crane
related systems.

What do you think you can contribute to the list:

At this point, lots of questions and the technical ability to
help out the

list and building a good web page ot serve as a reference point
for all

with an interest in the Crane related systems.

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Date: Mon, 21 Dec 1998 14:07:36 -0800 (PST)
From: Joseph Blow <kawatteru@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: CRANE: A question I have had

---"Michael J. Davis" <tatsujin@netramp.net> wrote:
> I know in Okinawa (the crane systems I have the most
>knowledge of...but that is not saying alot), there
>are lineages as follows:
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I know that Bruce Heilman's teacher, Odo Sensei,
teaches a white crane kata. The Kobayashiryu teacher
mentioned by the gentelman from Pheonix doesn't sound
like his kata fits any of the three families above,
either. John Sells might be a good contact on this,
in addition to the Bujin@bigpond.com

And here's my question: The White Crane is obviously
an animal revered in China and Japan and on Okinawa.
Is it possible that kata have been given the title of
hakutsuru for this reason and NOT because the form
traces to White Crane Gongfu?

Regards,

Rich

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----- 8 -----
Date: Mon, 21 Dec 1998 17:17:36 +0000
From: "Michael J. Davis" <tatsujin@netramp.net>
Subject: Re: CRANE: A question I have had

At 05:08 PM 12/21/98 -0500, you wrote:
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>an animal revered in China and Japan and on Okinawa.

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>hakutsuru for this reason and NOT because the form
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Good question...

Of the majority of the kata that I have been exposed to
(Okinawan in origin), the systems had a traceable link back to southern China
and/or Chinese systems that were either crane systems or had elements
of the crane systems in them. Therefore, I would assume those katas were
based (at least in part) on Chinese crane gongfu.

As to John Sells katas, I have heard everything from he made
them up, to they are bastardized in the Shito-ryu system he does to the
statement that they (the 3 on his tape) come from the Gokenki lineage. I have
seen Matayoshi Shinpo Sensei do crane kata that he has supposed to
have learned from Gokenki (on video) and they look pretty different than the
ones Sensei Sells does. Further than that I cannot comment.

Did you have any particular kata that you thought might fit into
your hypothesis?

Michael

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Date: Mon, 21 Dec 1998 14:37:58 -0800 (PST)
From: Joseph Blow <kawatteru@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: CRANE: A question I have had

---"Michael J. Davis" <tatsujin@netramp.net> wrote:

> Good question...

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>to (Okinawan in origin), the systems had a traceable
>link back to southern China and/or Chinese systems
>that were either crane systems or had elements of the
>crane systems in them. Therefore, I would assume
>those katas were based (at least in part) on Chinese
>crane gongfu.

Yeah, I agree to the extent the karate descends from
southern crane gongfu, innovations made by students
are making white crane kata that descend "at least in
part" from Shaolin Bai He Quan.

> As to John Sells katas, I have heard everything from
>he made them up, to they are bastardized in the Shito-
>ryu system he does to the statement that they (the 3
>on his tape) come from the Gokenki lineage.

I don't know anything about the forms he has on that
tape. Neither seen it, nor talked with him about those
forms.

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>that he has supposed to have learned from Gokenki (on
>video) and they look pretty different than the ones
>Sensei Sells does. Further than that I cannot comment.

I have seen these.

> Did you have any particular kata that you thought
> might fit into your hypothesis?

Nope, no kata in particular in mind. Just curious as
to anyone else had wondered something similar.

Anyone on the list from George Alexander's camp? I've
been meaning to ask about his tape teaching a kata
called "Kumemura Hakutsuru". From where does he
trace that?

Regards,

Rich

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----- 10 -----
Date: Mon, 21 Dec 1998 19:24:48 +0000
From: "Michael J. Davis" <tatsujin@netramp.net>
Subject: ADMIN: New Member Info

First Name: Duane

Last Name: Sammons

City: Bellingham

State: WA

School Name: Bellingham Academy of Self Defense

Total Years in Martial Arts: 33

List of Current Ranks Styles and Instructors:

Rokudan (6th), Kyoshi, Goju-ryu Karate-do Kyokai

Immediate Senior: Rich Stamper, 7th dan.

Organization Chairman and Hanshi: Yamakura, Motoo 8th dan.

Former Sensei: Yamaguchi, Gosei

Also: Nidan, Jujitsu through United States Judo Assoc.

Shodan, MJER Iaido, Canadian Eishin-ryu Renmei

Shodan, Kendo, through Canadian Kendo Federation

List all White Crane experience.

No direct experience. Some familiarity with Hakucho and one of the

Hakutsuru Kata.

What are you looking for to gain from this list?

A more thorough understanding of Goju-ryu roots and deeper knowledge of

White Crane's internal

principles.

What do you think you can contribute to the list?

Whatever I can add from a Goju perspective.

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